

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Confirmation No.: 9029

Elischweski *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1636

Appln. No.: 09/680,310

Examiner: G.G. Leffers, Jr.

Filed: October 6, 2000

Title: Process for the Preparation of Pantothenic Acid by Amplification of Nucleotide Sequences Which Code for Ketopantoate Reductase

October 8, 2003

* * * * *

AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the official action dated April 9, 2003, wherein the pending claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph and 35 U.S.C. §102(b). The applicants respectfully traverse in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Attorney's Docket: 021123-0268418
Client Reference: 980101 BT-B

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Confirmation Number: 9029

FRANK ELISCHEWSKI ET AL.

Application No.: 09/680,310

Group Art Unit: 1641

Filed: October 6, 2000

Examiner: G. LEFFERS, JR.

For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF PANTOTHENIC ACID BY AMPLIFICATION OF
NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES WHICH CODE FOR KETOPANTOATE REDUCTASE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.
Applicant petitions for a 3 months extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

FEES


The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	28	- 34	= 0	x \$ 18.00	= \$ 0.00
INDEP.	4	- 4	= 0	x \$ 86.00	= \$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM			+	\$ 290.00	= \$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE					\$ 0.00
EXTENSION OF TIME FEE					\$ 950.00
GRAND TOTAL					\$ 950.00

FEE PAYMENT

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$950.00 to Deposit Account No. 033975.
Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Date: October 8, 2003
PILLSBURY WINTHROP LLP
P.O. Box 10500
McLean, VA 22102
(703) 905-2144


THOMAS A. CAWLEY, JR., Ph.D.
Reg. No. 40944

10/10/2003 CCHAU1 00000156 033975 09680310

01 FC:1253 950.00 DA